Family Letter

G

Dear Family,

I'm Mr. G, and I know what you must be thinking: Goodness! What <u>is</u> that gob of stuff in Mr. G's hair?

That's my gooey gum. I was goofing with my gooey gum one night, and when I woke up, there it was—stuck in my hair! One day I dropped my gum in the hallway at school, and the principal stepped in it!



But I've learned my lesson. From now on, I'll throw my gum and other litter where they belong—in the garbage. It's one way to keep the Earth clean. After all, the Earth is our home.

There is one good thing about my gooey gum. It helps me and the children remember my sound.

- ✓ The next time you visit a gas station, take your child along. Point out the gas pumps and the garage. Take a close—up look at the pump, and explain that gas is measured in gallons. You might even be lucky enough to see some gears while you're there.
- ✓ Read to your child some words that start with my sound. Then challenge your child to Prove each word by saying (for example) "gooey gum gorilla." (Sometimes my letter sounds different, like the G in George. If this happens in any of the words you find, just explain that Mr. G sometimes uses a different sound.)
- ✓ Play an "I Spy G" game with a cereal box or a cookie box. How many capital <u>G</u>'s can your child find? How many lowercase g's can she or he find? Is my letter found at the <u>start</u>, the <u>middle</u>, or the <u>end</u> of the word?

Have a great day!

Sincerely,

Mr. G